





Application Serial No. 09/656,626

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants:

Clark et al.

Title:

METAL ALLOY PRODUCT AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING SAME

Application No.:

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Application Filing Date:

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Examiner:

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the Issue Fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a Notice of Appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. § 141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. § 145 or § 146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114: (check items that apply)
 - a. Previously submitted:
 - [X] Please enter and consider the amendment/reply previously filed on July 7, 2003 .
 - [X] Please consider the Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) previously filed on July 11, 2003 but not considered.

[X] Other: Petition for Extension of Time up to August 7, 2003, was filed on July 11, 2003.

Miscellaneous:

- [X] Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of <u>3</u> months.
- [X] Small Entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.9 and § 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity statement previously submitted.

The filing fee is calculated below:

		Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For		Extra Claims Present		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e)	Э							\$750.00		\$750.00
Total Claims:		47	· –	49	=	0	×	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independents:		6	· —	6	=	0	×	\$84.00	=	\$0.00
First pre	esentatio	on of any M	ultipl	e Dependen	t Clai	ims:	+	\$280.00	=	\$0.00
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[]	Extens	ion for respo	onse	filed within	the f	irst month:		\$110.00		\$0.00
[]	Extens	ion for respo	onse	filed within	the s	econd mor	ith:	\$410.00		\$0,00
[]	Extens	ion for respo	onse	filed within	the t	hird month	:	\$930.00		\$0.00
[]	Extens	ion for respo	onse	filed within	the f	ourth mont	:h:	\$1,450.00		\$0.00
[]	Extens	ion for respo	onse	filed within	the f	ifth month:	:	\$1,970.00		\$0.00
						EXTEN	ISION	FEE TOTAL:		\$0.00
	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:									\$750.00
[X]	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract $\frac{1}{2}$ of above):									\$375.00
[X]	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)									\$130.00
						· · ·		TOTAL FEE:		\$505.00

- [X] Check No. 12758 in the amount of \$505.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- [X] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 06-1447. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by a check being in the wrong amount, unsigned, post-dated, otherwise improper or informal or even entirely missing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 06-1447.



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Respectfully submitted,

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